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F. W. BLECK DIES AT HIS HOME HERE

RETIREF FARMER BORN IN GER-
MANY AND CITIZEN OF GRO-
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Frederick W. Bleck, a retired farmer and highly respected citizen of this city, died at his home here last Friday at the age of 74 years. The funeral was held Monday afternoon at the home, conducted by Rev. L. C. Benson and the remains were conveyed to Ferney and laid to rest in the cemetery at that place.

Frederick William Bleck was born on September 6, 1859, in Zempelburg, Germany. He came to the United States at the age of 17 and made his home at Rockford and New Ulm, Minn.

In 1883 he located on a farm near Ferney. Ten years later he returned to Minnesota, because of ill health. After fifteen years he again came to South Dakota. He was married to Mrs. Ottillie Krueger in 1910. Two children, George and Alfred, were born to this marriage. His youngest son, Alfred, preceded him in death in 1923. In the fall of 1918 he came to reside in Groton, where he had since made his home.

He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife, Mrs. Ottillie Bleck; his son, George, and six step-children, Fred, Carl and Herman Krueger, Mrs. Leon Cassels, Magdalene Krueger, who are all in this vicinity, and Mrs. Earl Miller of Chamberlain, S. D. He also leaves three sisters, Mrs. Augusta Lynn of Beaver Dam, Wis., Mrs. Bertha Hazer and Mrs. Gust Virgene, of Rockford, Minn., and two brothers, Carl and August Bleck, of Rockford, Minn. Also six step-brothers and two step-sisters.

Relatives and friends attending the funeral from out-of-town were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Miller of Chamberlain, Carl and August and Richard Bleck, Henry and Adolph Splittstoesser of Rockford, Minn., Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Bleck and two sons, Mrs. Henry Keickar, George and Gust Bleck of Fairfax, Minn., and H. C. Daubenberg of Aberdeen.